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FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED

AT MID-DAY AUGUST 15 BY TURKISH MFA ON SENATE-HOUSE

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE EMBARGO TEXT. BEGIN TEXT:

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THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHARGED WITH RECONCILIATION
OF THE TEXTS OF DECISIONS CONCERNED WITH LIFTING THE EMBARGO
THAT WERE MADE BY THE UNITED STATES SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
HAVING COMPLETED ITS WORK, HAS ACCEPTED A COMPROMISE
TEXT.

IN A REPORT WRITTEN AS AN ADDITION TO THE DECISION,

THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE STRESSED THAT THE EMBARGO THAT HAS BEEN APPLIED AGAINST TURKEY WOULD ACTUALLY BE LIFTED. ALTHOUGH THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE USED THE HOUSE DECISION AS A BASIS, IT MADE SEVERAL CHANGES THAT REMOVE, TO SOME EXTENT, THE DRAWBACKS OF THIS (HOUSE) DECISION.

A POSITIVE ASPECT OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE DECISION IS THE INDICATION THAT THE PRINCIPLES ACCEPTED WITH THE DENKTASH-MAKARIOS AGREEMENT OF FEBRUARY 12, 1977, AND DEFENDED BY THE TURKISH FEDERATED STATE OF CYPRUS, CONSTITUTE A SOLID FOUNDATION FOR A JUST AND PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. AT THE SAME TIME, AS WAS INDICATED IN AN EARLIER ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING THE HOUSE DECISION, THERE ARE SOME CONTRADICTIONS AND UNFAVORABLE POINTS IN THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE DECISION. IF THESE POINTS ARE TAKEN UP SEPARATELY FROM THE PURPOSE OF LIFTING THE EMBARGO, OBTAINING A SOLUTION TO THE CYPRUS PROBLEM AND A STABLE DEVELOPMENT IN TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS MAY BECOME DIFFICULT. THE EXTENT TO WHICH THESE DRAWBACKS WILL BE REMOVED IN APPLICATION WILL DEPEND ON THE ATTITUDE FOLLOWED BY THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.

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